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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A system for accessing, over a wide area network, multimedia equipment for reproducing multimedia information recorded on data storage media, comprising:
generating means for generating a list of contents of multimedia information recorded on data storage media of a first user at a first equipment location by processing contents data of each medium in the data storage media at the first equipment location, said generating means operating to transfer said list of contents via said wide area network to a second user an expert at a second equipment location, said expert being knowledgeable about said multimedia information so that said expert can provide recommendations about said multimedia information, said second user expert modifying the generated list of contents by selecting items from said list of contents and rearranging the selected items to produce a rearranged list of contents;
converting means for converting the rearranged list of contents to at least one command script file for controlling the multimedia equipment at the first equipment location, said at least one command script file including a series of commands for controlling the multimedia equipment in compliance with a smart control protocol used in multimedia components; and
controlling means for controlling the multimedia equipment at the first equipment location based on said at least one command script file, wherein the multimedia information recorded on the first user's storage media is reproduced on the multimedia equipment, located at the first equipment location, based on the rearranged list of contents.

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14. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 13, further comprising a server for providing a user interface for requesting the list of contents to be modified, said server ~~operative~~operating to transfer the list of contents over the wide area network to the ~~second user~~expert at the second equipment location.

15-16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended) A method for accessing, over a wide area network, multimedia equipment for reproducing multimedia information recorded on data storage media, said method comprising the steps of:

generating a list of contents of multimedia information recorded on data storage media of a first user at a first equipment location by processing contents data of each medium in the data storage media at the first equipment location;

transferring said list of contents via said wide area network to ~~a second user~~an expert at a second equipment location, ~~said expert being knowledgeable about said multimedia information so that said expert can provide recommendations about said multimedia information, said second user~~expert modifying the generated list of contents by selecting items from said list of contents and rearranging the selected items to produce a rearranged list of contents;

converting the rearranged list of contents to at least one command script file for controlling the multimedia equipment ~~at the first equipment location, said at least one command script file including a series of commands for controlling the multimedia equipment in compliance with a smart control protocol used in multimedia components; and~~

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controlling the multimedia equipment at the first equipment location based on said at least one command script file, wherein the multimedia information recorded on the first user's storage media is reproduced on the multimedia equipment, located at the first equipment location, based on the rearranged list of contents.

18. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of providing, by a server, a user interface for requesting the list of contents to be modified, and the server transferring the list of contents over the wide area network to the second user expert at the second equipment location.

19-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein the multimedia equipment, located at the first equipment location, includes audio/video (A/V) system.

22. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 21, wherein the A/V system includes a CD changer capable of accepting multiple compact disks (CDs).

23. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 22, wherein the contents data of each medium in the data storage media at the first equipment location includes a song list for a CD.